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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

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DONNA CURLING, ET AL.

Plaintiff,

Civil Action File No. 1:17-cv-2989-AT

v.

BRIAN KEMP, ET AL.

Defendant.

PLAINTIFF COALITION FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE'S REQUEST FOR A HEARING AND FOR LEAVE TO BE HEARD REGARDING STEPTOE & JOHNSON'S WITHDRAWAL MOTION

Pursuant to LR 83.1(D)(2), Plaintiff Coalition for Good Governance ("CGG"), a non-profit corporation, respectfully requests leave of this Court to be heard in open court through the person of its lay Executive Director Marilyn R. Marks at a hearing on the pending withdrawal motion filed by CGG's lawyers, who say they are conflicted from further representing CGG in this matter. (ECF #104.)

CGG's response to the withdrawal motion is due Friday, November 17, 2017. CGG has been unsuccessful in its efforts to engage substitute counsel to respond to the motion or to replace Steptoe & Johnson and Holcomb+Ward. CGG thus faces the quandary of choosing between filing no response (since an entity may not appear except through a lawyer), and filing this request to appear through its lay executive director at a hearing in place of filing a written response.

CGG would prefer to request additional time to file a written response through a lawyer, but counsel Holcomb+Ward has refused CGG's instructions to file a request for additional time for CGG to file a written response to Steptoe & Johnson's motion.

Accordingly, CGG respectfully requests that it be allowed to appear and be heard at a hearing. Alternately, CGG respectfully requests an extension of 14 days to file its response to the withdrawal motion.

Dated: November 15, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Marks

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this date I have filed

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This 15th day of November, 2017.

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